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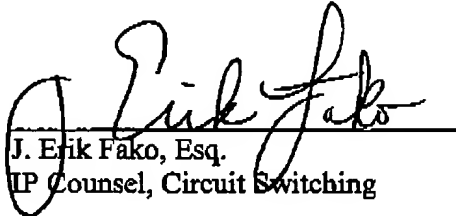
The undersigned, assignee of the entire interest in and to an application of Patel et al. for U.S. Letters Patent for **TELEPHONE NETWORK MANAGEMENT METHOD AND DEVICES**, filed 12/28/1998, Serial No. 09/221,110, by an assignment document recorded with the Patent and Trademark Office at reel 9929, frame 0317, reel 010567, frame 0001, and reel 011195, frame 0706, hereby appoints the attorneys associated with Customer Number 27820, which includes Benjamin S. Withrow, Reg. No. 40,876, Steven N. Terranova, Reg. No. 43,185, and Taylor M. Davenport, Reg. No. 42,466, as my attorneys and/or agents with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

Furthermore, in accordance with 37 CFR 3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that the documentary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to the assignee, i.e. assignment document referenced above, has been reviewed and the undersigned certifies that, to the best of assignee's knowledge and belief, title is in assignee who seeks to prosecute this application.

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